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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Upon entry of this amendment, which amends claims 4, 8, 20, 27, 33, 38, 43, 44, 47, 51, 56, 62, 66, 72, 81, 86, 87, and 88, claims 4-88 remain pending. In the Office Action, claims 4, 6, 8, 17-21, 31-33, 35-36, 38, 40, 43, 53, 56, 58, 60-63, 66, 77, 79-81, 84, 86, 87, and 88 were provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over co-pending application No. 10/035,413; and claims 4-88 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Anuff et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,327,628, hereinafter "Anuff") in view of Hargrove (U.S. Patent No. 5,371,847, hereinafter "Hargrove"). Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejections in view of the amendments above and remarks below.

Claim 4 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. as being unpatentable over Anuff in view of Hargrove. Applicants submit that Anuff and Hargrove, either alone or combination, do not disclose or suggest:

> means for a user to specify data to customize the customizable
> view all command, the data defining a property of a user
> interface element for the view all command;
> a data repository configured to store the data, the data defining the
> property; and
> means for preserving a state of the customizable view all command
> between one generation of the application user interface
> and another generation of the application user interface,
> wherein the user interface generator is configured to automatically
> generate the one generation of the application user interface
> and the another generation of the application user interface,
> wherein the one generation of the application user interface
> and the another generation are configured with the property
> of the view all command for the user interface element.

Anuff discloses a portal that allows a user to control a layout of a page. See *Anuff*, abstract. Hargrove discloses a system that allows a user to specify the arrangement of windows on a display device. See *Hargrove*, abstract.

Claim 4, as amended, recites allowing the user to specify data that defines a property of the view all command. The data is stored in a data repository where the data defines

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the property. The user interface generator is then configured to automatically generate and configure an application user interface with the property of the view all command.

Anuff and Hargrove, either alone or in combination, do not disclose or suggest the automatic generation of an application user interface configured with the property that was received from a user. Rather, Anuff discloses allowing a user to define a layout and Hargrove allows a user to specify an arrangement of windows. Thus, the combination of Anuff and Hargrove allows a user to specify and arrange a layout or windows on a display device. Nowhere in Anuff and Hargrove, either alone or in combination, is it disclosed or suggested that an application using an interface may be automatically generated and configured with a property of a view all command, where the property was defined by a user.

Applicants also note that Hargrove does not disclose or suggest a view all command. Rather, Hargrove allows the arrangement of windows to be specified.

Accordingly, applicants respectfully request of the rejection of claim 4. Claims 5-7 depend from claim 1 and thus derive patentability at least therefrom.

Applicants submit that claims 8-88 should be allowable for at least a similar rationale as discussed with respect to claim 4.
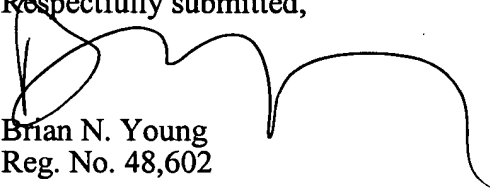
These claims also recite additional, non-obvious and novel features. For example, claims 12, 41, and 45 recite that the customizable view all command is associated with a table. Applicants submit that Anuff and Hargrove, either alone or in combination, do not disclose or suggest a customizable view all command for a table. Rather, Anuff and Hargrove disclose allowing the user to specify the arrangement of windows on the display device. Specifying a view all command for a table is not disclosed or suggested.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

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